

Resolution No. _____, Series 2009

A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE KENTUCKY GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO AMEND KRS 67C.105(6) REGARDING A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF LOUISVILLE METRO MAYOR.

Sponsored By: Councilman Kelly Downard, District 16

WHEREAS, the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government legislative council (“Metro Council”) believes that the succession for vacancy in the office of Mayor of the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government (“Louisville Metro”) needs to be changed; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council wants to ensure that there is a clear line of succession as to who is Louisville Metro Mayor in the event of a vacancy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT (“COUNCIL”) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Council does hereby request the General Assembly to change KRS 67C.105(6) as follows:

(6) In case the office of mayor becomes vacant by reason of death, resignation, or removal, the person designated Deputy Mayor through executive order shall become mayor to fulfill the unexpired term. In the event the designated Deputy Mayor is unable to fill the office of mayor due to death, his or her resignation within 24 hours of taking the office or failure by the Mayor to properly designate a Deputy Mayor as his or her successor, then the President of the Metro Council shall serve as mayor for the unexpired term. ~~the members of the legislative council of the consolidated local government shall by a majority~~

~~vote of the membership of the council elect a qualified person to fill the vacancy in the office of mayor not later than thirty (30) days after the date on which the vacancy occurs for the unexpired term. The members of the legislative body of the consolidated local government may elect one (1) of their members to serve as temporary mayor until they are able to hold the election to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term. If the legislative council fails to elect a person to fill the vacancy within thirty (30) days after the vacancy occurs, the Governor shall fill the vacancy in the office by appointment of a qualified person for the unexpired term.~~

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

Kathleen J. Herron
Metro Council Clerk

David W. Tandy
President of the Council

Jerry E. Abramson
Mayor

Approved: _____
Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Michael J. O'Connell
Jefferson County Attorney

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